

HOUSE No. 2196

By Mr. Connolly of Everett (by request), petition of Edward G. Connolly and Peter V. Kocot relative to requiring seatbelts on school buses. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT REQUIRING SEATBELTS IN SCHOOL BUSES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 7B of chapter 90 of the General Laws, as
2 appearing in the 2000 Official Edition, is hereby amended by
3 striking out the words “No school bus having seating accommoda-
4 tions for more than sixteen school pupils equipped with passenger
5 restraint systems shall be operated on the way of the common-
6 wealth unless said passenger restraint systems” in lines 139 to 142
7 inclusive and inserting in place thereof the following:— No
8 school bus shall be operated on the ways of the commonwealth
9 unless it is equipped with passenger restraint systems that.

1 SECTION 2. Said section 7B of said chapter 90, as so
2 appearing, is hereby further amended by striking out the words
3 “having seating accommodations for more than sixteen school
4 pupils” in lines 151 and 152.

1 SECTION 3. Section 7AA of said chapter 90, as so appearing,
2 is hereby amended by striking out the words “riding as a pas-
3 senger in a school bus” (2).